Customer No: 07278 Docket No.: 04604/0M943

**DECLARATION**
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**Original Application**

As a below named inventor, I declare that the information given herein is true, that I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor if only one name is listed at 1 below, or a joint inventor if plural inventors are named below, of the invention entitled:

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVENTING TANGLING OF A FISHLING LINE**

which is described and claimed in:

[X] the attached specification or [] the specification in application Serial No. _____ , filed _____
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